



# East Preston Christmas Celebrations



Saturday 22nd November 10am – 5:30pm

## Welcome to East Preston's Christmas Celebrations. It is our way of celebrating the Christmas season's start.

The numbers on this map identify specific event locations that are detailed overleaf. All events have a number displayed. They also have full listings if you are looking for a specific event.

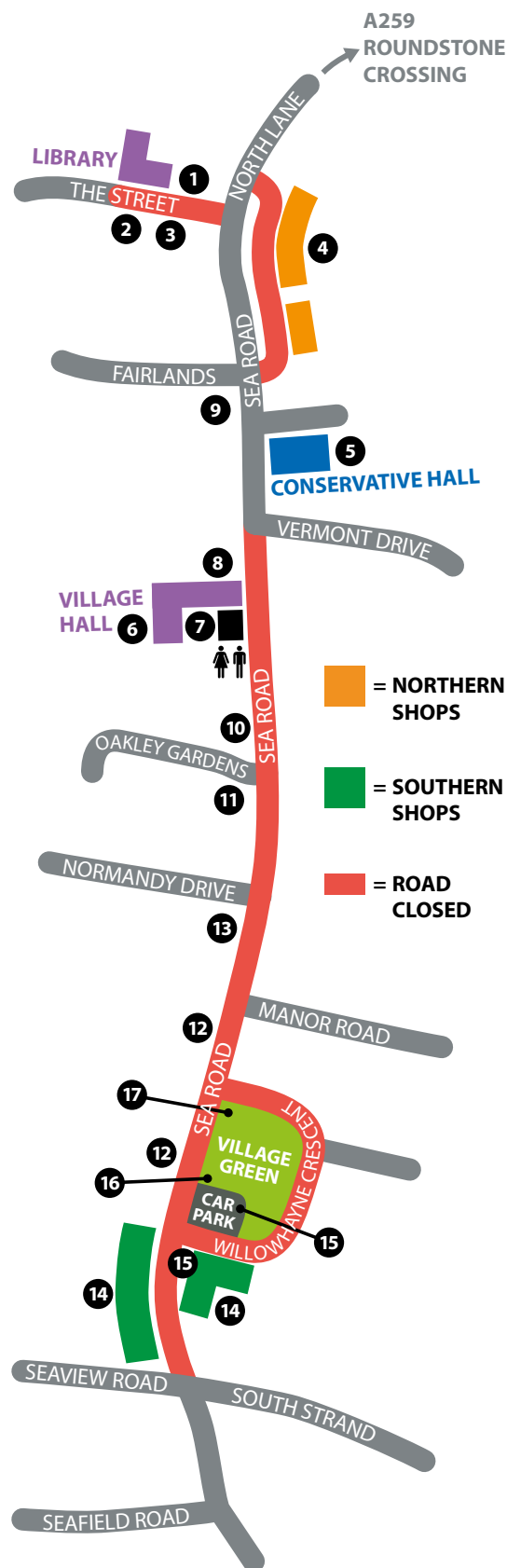
One highlight will be our lantern procession from Northern shops to the Village Green Christmas Tree before we ask Father Christmas to turn on our Christmas Tree lights. During the day children, and adults, can make their own lanterns at either Prestons or the Sea Horse Café – help will be on hand to assist.

Our 'Swish' event should also be popular. Swishing is shopping without the financial or environmental costs. To get involved, all you have to do is bring nice, clean, presentable clothes that are lurking unloved in your wardrobe. Then other people get to have a look, fall in love with them and give them a good home.

We have a children's fair and supporting stalls to keep them entertained. Plus have your photo taken with a Husky...So many things to do.

Finally, our Traders. There are nearly 50 stalls, trade and charity, laden with ideas and gifts for Christmas. Please support them.

The Parish Council would like to thank all volunteers and local businesses who have all worked so hard to give you a great day out.



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Event Guide (subject to change) - see overleaf for map of event locations

Map No.	Location	Event	Description	Time
1	Prestons	Children's Lantern making	Make a lantern for the Parade and Christmas tree carols	10am - 3pm
1	Prestons	Children's Tombola	A prize every time	10am - 3pm
2	The Street	Sussex Cars	Smart Car Taxi service between North & South events	10am - 4pm
3	The Street	Samba Dancers	Something a little different to entertain us	3:45 pm - 4:15pm
4	Northern Shops	Prestons	Turkey Baps & hot chocolate	11am - 1:30pm
4	Northern Shops	Ciceros	Mother & daughter hair demonstration	10am - 4pm
4	Northern Shops	The Cake Artist	Cake decorating	10am - 4pm
4	Glyn-Jones	Frances Parncutt	Machine embroidered flannels and towels	10am - 4pm
4	Glyn-Jones	Mike Payne - Artist	Art exhibition	10am - 4pm
4	Glyn-Jones	Natural Therapy	Bowen, Thai Foot & Facial Massage Tasters	10am - 4pm
4	dizzy: Support for Diabetes	Tombola	Come and win a prize!	10am - 4pm
4	Northern Shops	Northern Shops	Children's 'Hunt the Elf' Competition	10am - 4pm
4	Northern Shops	Northern Shops	Best Dressed Window Competition	10am - 4pm
4	Northern Shops	Lantern Parade	Join our Lantern Parade to the Christmas Tree	4:30pm - 5pm
4	Northern Shops	Kerry's Tearoom	Hot chocolate & delicious cakes	9am - 5pm
5	Conservative Hall	Swish	Ladies Clothes Exchange - clothes drop off	10am - 11am
5	Conservative Hall	Swish / Style Me Confident	Clothes swap & Style Advice Presentation	10am - 1pm
5	Conservative Hall	Musical Interlude	Surprise musical entertainment	1pm - 2pm
5	Conservative Hall	Fashion Show	Organised by dizzy: Support for Diabetes	2pm - 3:30pm
5	Conservative Hall	Pebbles Catering	Tea, coffee and pastries	10am - 3:30pm
5	Conservative Hall	Stallholders	Ladies Gifts	10am - 4pm
6	Village Hall - The Barn	Stallholders	Essential Christmas Gifts	10am - 4pm
7	Village Hall - Car Park	EP Disabled Access Group	Raising awareness for disabled facilities	10am - 4pm
7	Village Hall - Car Park	Stallholders	Demonstrations & Displays	10am - 4pm
8	Village Hall - Warren Room	Father Christmas	Find Santa's Grotto in the Warren Room	10am - noon, 1pm to 3pm
9	Martlets bungalow entrance	Barrel Organ	Old time musical favourites	10am - 4pm
10	Sea Road North	Stallholders	Essential Christmas Gifts	10am - 4pm
11	Oakley Gardens area	Children's fun fair	How many times can you ride in a tea cup?	10am - 4pm
12	Sea Road	Garage - yard sale	Find a bargain from one of the participating driveways!	10am - 4pm
13	Sea Road South	Charity Stallholders	Please support these worthy causes	10am - 4pm
14	Southern Shops	Children's Lantern making	Make a lantern to use around the Christmas tree	10am - 3pm
14	Southern Shops	Sea View Stores	Samosas & Hot dogs	10am - 4pm
14	Southern Shops	Tudor Tavern	Hog Roast	Noon - 2pm
14	Southern Shops	Tudor Tavern	Steel Band	2pm - 4pm
15	Southern Shops	Clockhouse Deli	Best Sussex food tasting	11am - 4pm
15	Southern Shops	Clockhouse Bar	Winter beer festival	Noon - Closing
15	Southern Shops	Clockhouse Bar	Live Music	
14	Southern Shops	Southern Shops	Children's 'Hunt the Elf' Competition	10am - 4pm
14	Southern Shops	Southern Shops	Best Dressed Window competition	10am - 4pm
14	Southern Shops	Photo with Huskies	Take your photo with a Husky	10am - 4pm
15	Village Green Car Park	Small Animal display	Come and meet some favourites	2pm - 4pm
16	Village Green	Boules demonstration	Come and have a go!	11:30am - tbc
17	Village Green	Christmas Tree	Where we turn our Christmas tree lights on	5:30pm

Events above in orange are located around the Northern shops, blue at the Conservative Hall, purple at the Village Hall, yellow along Sea Road, green at the Southern shops and pink around the Village Green.



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Cut out and take with you

## Are you ready for winter?

**There's no way of telling what the weather might be like this winter – but you can make sure that you are as prepared as possible for every eventuality.**

It doesn't hurt to think ahead and be well prepared. Don't forget, you can also follow the @WSHighways on Twitter, or 'West Sussex Matters' on Facebook, to keep up to date and share information.

West Sussex County Council will have new webpages on its website at [www.westsussex.gov.uk/snow](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/snow) from November, where residents can find out more about how to cope in snow and ice conditions.

For further advice, you can also visit [www.metoffice.gov.uk](http://www.metoffice.gov.uk) and search 'Get Ready for Winter'.

You can look up which roads the County Council is able to grit, read about how the County Council prepares in the event of bad weather, and also about what you can do.



There are some simple things we can all do to prepare for winter and the weather it might bring:

- Check on vulnerable or elderly family and neighbours – they may need your support in bad weather
- Don't use water to clear snow and ice, it will refreeze and become more dangerous
- Don't travel unless you have to and make sure your vehicle is ready for cold weather
- Be prepared – keep a supply of provisions in case of bad weather
- Mobile phones and social media such as Facebook and Twitter are an excellent and easy way to keep in touch during severe weather events. Make sure you share your details with your neighbours
- Make sure you dress appropriately for the weather conditions, especially footwear



## Neighbourhood Plan

The Independent Examiner has reviewed our Neighbourhood Plan and, subject to some minor modifications, has recommended that our plan should proceed to referendum. We are currently incorporating the Examiner's comments and the final plan will be published in early December, initially on our website but followed later by paper copies which will be available from the Parish Office.

It is interesting to note one of the Examiner's comments: 'It is evident that the residents of East Preston value the character of the village and have a clear view of how they wish to maintain it.' He could only form that view based on your comments, so thank you again for all the help and support you have given us.

We will now be working to promote understanding of our Neighbourhood Plan and **encouraging everyone to vote in the 28th January 2015 referendum.**

## Village Life

### December

- 1st Full Council
- 4th Business Breakfast (8am)
- 8th Planning Committee (6pm)
- 15th Finance & General Purposes Committee (7.30pm)
- 22nd Planning Committee (6pm)

### January 2015

- 5th Full Council
- 7th Business Breakfast (8am)
- 12th Planning Committee (6pm)
- 26th Planning Committee (6pm)  
Community Engagement Committee
- 28th East Preston  
Neighbourhood Plan referendum

### February

- 2nd Full Council
- 4th Business Breakfast (8am)
- 9th Planning Committee (6pm)
- 23rd Planning Committee (6pm)

All council meetings begin at 7pm at East Preston Infant School, Lashmar Road unless otherwise noted. For all meetings, please consult the Noticeboards and website a few days before the meeting for the Agenda.

Business Breakfasts are for local businesses only and take place at a variety of venues. Please contact the office if you would like to attend.

**\* Please note the above list may be subject to change \***



## Christmas Tree Festival

Come and celebrate Christmas in our beautiful, iconic 12th century St Mary's Church that has been at the heart of East Preston for the last 900 years. There will be over 40 Christmas trees around the church, all decorated by local groups, organisations and businesses, with each tree reflecting the nature of the sponsors' activity. In addition to the Christmas trees there will be a Christmas Fayre with various stalls, handicrafts and refreshments.

The festival will run on Friday 5th and Saturday 6th December between 10.30am and 7pm. On Sunday 7th December we will be open from 12 noon to 6pm, finishing with a carol service and the drawing of our big Christmas raffle. Sir Peter Bottomley, MP, has kindly agreed to open the festival. All proceeds from the event will go towards the maintenance of St Mary's church.

## Four Villages Cycling Forum

As a spin-off from recent work on Neighbourhood planning we have started a cycling forum to encourage cycling for leisure, sport and utility between Worthing and Littlehampton. The four coastal villages, Rustington, East Preston, Kingston and Ferring will work together, liaising with other cycling forums in Sussex, and with the local authorities. We need to improve cycling facilities, ensure their safety and encourage their use with due consideration to residents and others. Please help us to get this done! For more information contact: [fourvillagescyclingforum@gmail.com](mailto:fourvillagescyclingforum@gmail.com)

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